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# **Crop Progress and Condition**



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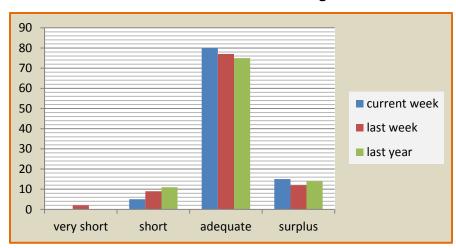
<u>Agricultural News</u>: Days suitable for fieldwork were 4.5. Weather conditions fluctuated with spring showers; blooms abound and some fields continue to be wet and muddy. Farming activities this week included clipping pastures, repairing fences and planting crops.

# SOIL MOISTURE and SUPPLIES for week ending 04/28/19

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	
	%	%	%	%	
Topsoil		5	80	15	
Subsoil	-	9	76	15	
Hay & Roughage	3	32	58	7	
Feed grain	-	9	87	4	

<sup>-</sup>Represents zero.

### **TOPSOIL MOISTURE for week ending 04/28/19**



## **CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 04/28/19**

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	-	1	73	26	-
Peaches	-	1	75	23	1
Hay	7	8	35	48	2
Winter Wheat	-	8	52	38	2
Pasture	1	12	40	43	4
Cattle & Calves	-	7	37	50	6
Sheep & Lambs	-	2	50	43	5

<sup>-</sup> Represents zero.

## CROP and LIVESTOCK PROGRESS for week ending 04/28/19

Livestock Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg	
	%	%	%	%	
Corn planted	15	11	8	11	
Soybeans planted	5	2	2	3	
Winter Wheat headed	2	-	11	12	
Calved	95	91	88	91	
Lambed	94	90	92	93	

<sup>-</sup> Represents data not available.

#### Weather Summary- For the week ending April 28, 2019

In West Virginia, the week began somewhat cool due to lingering cold air from a previous cold front. Temperatures quickly jumped mid-week as warm, southerly winds moved in just prior to another cold front late in the week. The temperatures then dropped again, once the second cold front pushed through. Overall, temperatures were near normal, with Martinsburg (+5), Elkins (+4), and Clarksburg (+3) reporting the farthest from normal. Spring showers, mostly associated with frontal passage, dominated the precipitation across the State. As with showery type precipitation, total accumulation numbers varied from site to site. Of the 10 climate sites, six stations recorded above average precipitation, while the other four were below.

<u>Temperatures</u>: Keyser had the highest recorded temperature of 88 degrees, and the lowest recorded temperature of 32 degrees. The state average temperature was 57 degrees.

<u>Precipitation:</u> Creston had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 2.14 inches. Bluestone Dam had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.41 of an inch. The state average precipitation was 1.06 inches.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 04/28/19

	Temperature				Precipitation					
			We	eekly	We	eek's	Since April 1st	Same Week	Season	
Station	High	Low	Average	Departure	Total	Norm	2019	Last Year	Normal	
NORTHWEST										
WHEELING	76	38	54	-1	1.19	0.74	2.68	5.39	2.82	
PARKERSBURG	82	38	57	0	1.61	0.78	3.29	5.04	3.05	
CRESTON	84	35	55		2.14		3.92	4.71		
NORTHCENTRAL										
MORGANTOWN	81	41	57	1	0.90	0.84	3.44	5.65	3.29	
CLARKSBURG	83	39	59	3	0.71	0.84	4.10	5.81	3.36	
BELINGTON	82	36	57		1.07		3.18	5.82		
WESTON	83	38	57		1.52		4.13	6.12		
SOUTHWEST										
WILLIAMSON	87	44	62		0.74		2.67	3.96		
HUNTINGTON	83	40	59	0	0.93	0.86	2.86	2.97	3.20	
CHARLESTON	85	38	59	0	0.59	0.82	2.87	4.40	3.01	
RIPLEY	84	35	56		1.60		3.38	4.51		
CENTRAL										
TERRA ALTA	78	35	54		1.25		4.35	6.78		
ELKINS	81	37	57	4	1.21	0.91	3.57	4.88	3.54	
MARLINTON	82	36	56		1.13		4.12	4.84		
SOUTHERN										
BECKLEY	79	34	55	0	0.59	0.83	3.17	4.01	3.12	
PINEVILLE	84	38	59		1.00		3.90	4.45		
BLUEFIELD	79	36	57	-1	1.17	0.82	4.16	3.71	3.10	
WHITE SUL SP	81	40	57		1.47		5.01	4.65		
BLUESTONE DAM	82	40	60		0.41		3.64	2.97		
NORTHEASTERN										
MARTINSBURG	83	36	60	5	0.46	0.79	3.51	4.04	3.11	
KEYSER	88	32	57		0.83		3.66	4.91		
MOOREFIELD	79	36	56		0.74		4.09	4.35		
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State Average Temperature 57 State Average Precipitation 1.06

Source:

Weather comments and data - Dept. of Commerce, National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration National Weather Service, Charleston, WV.